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For Recycling Commodities

Kentucky Recycling Assistance Section

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## State Division of Waste Management Announces Over \$3 Million in Grants

The Energy and Environment Cabinet's Division of Waste Management recently announced 49 recycling and 23 household hazardous waste (HHW) grants to expand recycling, reduce the amount of solid waste going into landfills and improve the environmental management of household hazardous waste, which includes electronic scrap and mercury from homes throughout the Commonwealth.

Grant dollars from the Kentucky Pride Fund, which is generated by a \$1.75 fee for each ton of municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky landfills, are financing the 72 grants totaling \$3,041,950.85.

The grants require a 25 percent local match in the form of cash or "in kind" personnel, educational activities or advertising to promote the program from the cities and counties receiving the awards.

For a complete list of grant recipients, please visit <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/grants/Pages/default.aspx>.

## Is Chinese Recycling Demand Starting to Fall?

According to *Resource Recycling*, economic indicators point to a continuing decline in orders for recovered materials by Chinese companies. And with China being the second-largest economy in the world, this is affecting local recycling markets in North America.

Recovered paper, plastic and metal shipments westbound to China are down about 5 percent or more in the past year. This has resulted in a global price weakness. For example, slower economic growth in China is a principal cause for market jitters in the copper recycling industry. In mid-March prices dropped to their lowest level in two years. As a result, the value of copper has fallen about 10 percent this year.

China is the global leader in copper use with a market share above 40 percent. The value of recovered aluminum also declined, but not as steeply as for copper.

Much of the slowdown in orders is due to a desire by the Chinese central government to reduce growth volatility and to move the economy forward in a more sustainable manner. Government planners want the economy to improve by 7.5 percent this year, rather than the typical 10 percent or more seen in previous years.

## Resource Recycling's Recycling Market Prognosis for June and July

	<u>Demand</u>	<u>Price</u>
Ferrous	Nothing to brag about	Going nowhere fast
Aluminum	Metal will move	Stagnant
Paper	Waiting for exporter action	Up and down
Plastic	Healthy	Better than expected

## Creative Recycling Systems

The e-Scrap contract period for January 2009 through May 2014 brought the total pounds collected to 14,572,402 lbs. or 7,286 net tons. Reimbursements climbed to \$573,953.59, with charges of \$152,111.40. The net revenue to generators for the period was \$421,467.54.

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COMMODITY	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jun-13
<b><u>PAPER-\$/TON</u></b>	<b><u>RISI Official Board Markets (Midwest/Chicago area) FOB</u></b>							
-	<b>Dec-13</b>	<b>Jan-14</b>	<b>Feb-14</b>	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Apr-14</b>	<b>May-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Jun-13</b>
#2 mixed paper	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$35-40	\$45-50
#37 sorted office paper (SOP)	\$115-125	\$115-125	\$125-135	\$125-135	\$125-135	\$125-135	\$125-135	\$120-125
#8 ONP	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55	\$50-55
#40 sorted white ledger (SWL)	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$200-210
#11 OCC	\$90-95	\$85-90	\$85-90	\$90-100	\$85-90	\$80-85	\$75-80	\$85-90
<b><u>PLASTICS-¢/LB.</u></b>	<b><u>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - FOB</u></b>							
-	<b>Dec-13</b>	<b>Jan-14</b>	<b>Feb-14</b>	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Apr-14</b>	<b>May-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Jun-13</b>
#1 PET - mixed (clear & green)	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.18	\$0.19	\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.19	\$0.18
#2 HDPE (natural-milk jugs)	\$0.36	\$0.36	\$0.37	\$0.40	\$0.42	\$0.46	\$0.48	\$0.36
#2 HDPE (colored-detergent btl.)	\$0.26	\$0.27	\$0.29	\$0.30	\$0.32	\$0.25	\$0.28	\$0.19
<b><u>GLASS-\$/TON</u></b>	<b><u>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</u></b>							
-	<b>Dec-13</b>	<b>Jan-14</b>	<b>Feb-14</b>	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Apr-14</b>	<b>May-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Jun-13</b>
clear (flint)	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
brown (amber)	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00
green	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
<b><u>METALS</u></b>	<b><u>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</u></b>							
-	<b>Dec-13</b>	<b>Jan-14</b>	<b>Feb-14</b>	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Apr-14</b>	<b>May-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Jun-13</b>
aluminum beverage cans (UBC) cents/lb.	\$0.68	\$0.68	\$0.70	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.84	\$0.79	\$0.75
	<b><u>Recycling Markets.Net/Secondary Materials Pricing - Delivered</u></b>							
	<b>Dec-13</b>	<b>Jan-14</b>	<b>Feb-14</b>	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Apr-14</b>	<b>May-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Jun-13</b>
steel cans \$/TON	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$115-125	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120



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